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## COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JULY 23, 2001 COMMUNICATION

This Communication is submitted in response to the July 23, 2001 Communication issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A copy of the July 23, 2001 Communication is attached hereto as Exhibit A. A reply to the July 23, 2001 Communication is due August 23, 2001. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

The July 23, 2001 Communication states that applicants' Supplemental Amendment, filed by facsimile on April 4, 2001, is not deemed fully responsive because only the first four pages of the seven page Amendment originally transmitted were received. Resubmission of the April 4, 2001 Supplemental Amendment in its entirety is required. Accordingly, applicants resubmit as Exhibit B a copy of the Supplemental Amendment.

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Respectfully submitted,

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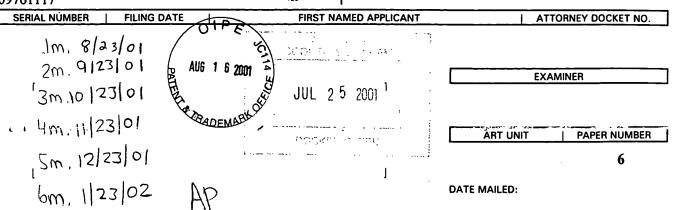


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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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The fax reply/amendment filed on 04/04/01 (Paper No. 4) is not fully responsive because the fax indicates that seven pages were sent, but only the first four pages were received. The amendment is incomplete and resubmission of the supplemental amendment in its entirety is required. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The preliminary amendment (Paper No. 3) filed with the instant application has been entered. The preliminary amendment (Paper No. 3) requested that claims 1-57 be canceled. Insofar as there were only 45 originally filed claims, the request to cancel claims 1-57 in Paper No. 3 has been taken as a request to cancel original claims 1-45.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David S. Romeo whose telephone number is (703) 305–4050. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday from 6:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz, can be reached on (703) 308-4623.

Official papers filed by fax should be directed to (703) 308-4242.

Faxed draft or informal communications should be directed to the examiner at (703) 308-0294.

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